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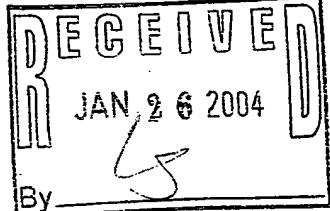
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WHEREAS, I, Daniel M. Lafontaine of Plymouth, Minnesota, USA; _, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), am the sole inventor of an invention described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled SYSTEM FOR CLOSING AN OPENING IN A BODY CAVITY, the application having been executed on even date herewith, and/or being identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. _____, filed _____; and

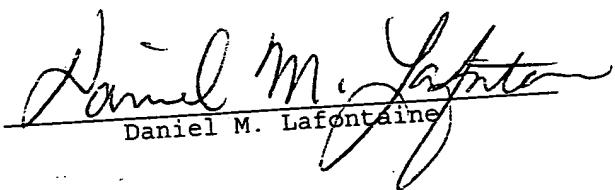
WHEREAS, SciMed Life Systems, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having offices at One Scimed Place, Maple Grove, MN 55311, ("Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, I transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the above-identified application, corresponding domestic and foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention; and I authorize the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office or foreign equivalent thereof to issue the Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

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Daniel M. Lafontaine

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

) ss.

COUNTY OF Minneapolis)of July, 2003.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 2nd day



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